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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to calculation of the filing fee and examination of this application, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 5 and 9 as follows:

5. (Amended) Moulding equipment (2) according to claim 2, characterised in that the upper-part (2) comprises at least two or more guiding pressure plates (8').

9. (Amended) Moulding equipment (2) according to claim 6, characterised in that the stop-pins comprise shock absorbers.

Please add the following new claims:

--10. Moulding equipment (2) according to claim 3, characterised in that the upper-part (2) comprises at least two or more guiding pressure plates (8').

11. Moulding equipment (2) according to claim 4, characterised in that the upper-part (2) comprises at least two or more guiding pressure plates (8').

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13. Moulding equipment (2) according to claim 8, characterised in that the stop-pins comprise shock absorbers, - -

The amendments to claims 5 and 9 are to amend the multiple dependencies.

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MARKED UP VERSION OF CLAIMS

5. (Amended) Moulding equipment (2) according to [any of the claims 2-4] claim 2,
c h a r a c t e r i s e d in that the upper-part (2) comprises at least two or more guiding pressure
plates (8').

9. (Amended) Moulding equipment (2) according to [any of the claims 6-8] claim 6,
c h a r a c t e r i s e d in that the stop-pins comprise shock absorbers.

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